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Title of Application:	Tongue Cleaning Device
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Response to First Office Action

In response to the First Official Action of January 30, 2003, Applicant submits the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendment

Clean Copy of Amended Claims:

1. (Thrice Amended) A tongue cleaning device adapted to be pressed against a top surface of a user's mouth, comprising:

an elongated member integrally formed of a flexible material, said elongated member having a handle portion and a head portion;

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said head portion ^{for} in contact with the top surface; and

a cleaning portion ^{comprising a second layer} attached to the head portion of said elongated member, said cleaning portion ^{for use} comprising a plurality of cleaning projections protruding outwardly from the head portion of said elongated member

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